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#### HAND SLEDS

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#### SLEIGH MATERIAL

If you are intending fixing up a set of bobs "Talk to Waters." We carry the sleigh shoe steel, the slow runner steel, the cast oscillating knees, bolts, cutter runners, etc., etc.

We expect to have a pair of hand-made sleighs in about a week. We will offer them at \$20.00.

#### CROSS CUT SAWS

For years we have been the headquarters for cross cut saws. We sell the Atkins line. Don't buy without first "Talking to Waters."

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If you have an extra room that you use only occasionally and do not feel like buying an expensive stove "Talk to Waters" about it. We have some small round stoves that are wood and coal burners that we can sell as low as \$6.50, \$7.50 and \$8.50. They are safe and well put up.

#### For Frozen Water Pipe Remedies

"Talk to Waters." We have two frozen water pipe doctors (Henry Holt and Max Benton) who are awaiting your call for prompt service. We can do any other plumbing repairing so as to give you the best results.

### For Round Oak Heaters and Round Oak Coal Fixtures "Talk to Waters."

### MABEL ENGLE ENTERTAINED

Twelve Young Ladies at House Party Last Friday Night. It Was a Merry Gathering.

The beautiful home of Frank Engle south of town, was the scene of much merry making Friday night and Saturday, when his daughter Mabel entertained twelve young ladies at a house party during that time.

Miss Engle proved to be a right royal hostess, entertaining her guests with descriptions and pictures of her southern and western trips. Full justice was done to the bountiful dinner provided and later in the evening a flash-light picture was taken of the group. Messages were sent to absent members of the party, lamenting the fact that they could not attend. Some of the young ladies were obliged to leave on the morning train, but the remaining ones enjoyed themselves to the fullest extent and it was with sincere regret and many promises to return again in the near future, that the guests took their late departure.

### PROF. L. R. TAFT TO BE HERE

Fruit Growers' Meeting at Shoemith's Hall Next Monday. Should Have Good Attendance.

Prof. L. R. Taft of Lansing has been secured to address the fruit growers and farmers of Paw Paw and vicinity next Monday, December 14, at Shoemith's hall. The meeting will be called to order at 10 o'clock a. m., when the subject of "Fertilizers" will be discussed. The afternoon will be devoted to the discussion of spraying. This will be a meeting of special interest to Paw Paw people. Prof. Taft is a recognized authority on the subjects to be discussed. The hall should be crowded.

#### School Notes.

Rev. Milne conducted chapel Monday morning.

Miss Malkuska, Miss Chaffee, Miss Thompson, Mr. Duncanson and Mr. O'Leary attended the teachers' institute at Hartford last Saturday. Prin. Ferris of Big Rapids and Prof. Burnham of the Western Normal were the speakers.

Debates will be a feature of the literary programs during the winter term.

Eula Finch proved a success as teacher of the first grade pupils.

The truant officer is on duty.

### MISS MINNIE WELCH IS THE LUCKY ONE

Paw Paw Young Lady Captures First Prize, the \$118 Diamond Ring, in The True Northerner Voting Contest.

### THE GREAT CONTEST WAS CLOSED LAST WEDNESDAY NIGHT

Miss Etoile Allen Wins Second.—Ballots Were Turned in by the Thousands, 700,000 Votes Cast in All.—Winner Receives Over 205,000 Votes.

MISS MINNIE WELCH, 205,674.....	\$118 Diamond Ring
MISS ETOILE ALLEN, 128,810.....	\$25 Gold Watch
MRS. C. L. BOWEN, 98,371.....	\$20 Princess Dresser
MISS PEARL SIDENIUS, 59,167.....	\$17 Seneca Camera
MRS. JAY TRESCOTT, 55,803.....	\$13.50 Set of Furs
MISS HAZEL DANBY, 30,154.....	\$8 Suit Case

The True Northerner subscription contest closed last Wednesday evening at 8 o'clock with the above result. The counting of the votes by the committee, J. B. Showman of the Paw Paw Savings bank, Guy Warner of Hawley & Warner and Merle Young, was an easy matter, because there was so great variance in the number of votes received by the several contestants.

The list of prizes included a \$118 diamond ring from Chappell's jewelry store, a \$25 watch from Carl Damon's, a mahogany dresser from Hawley & Warner, a camera from C. A. Norwood, a set of furs from C. R. Avery and a suit case from W. R. Sellick.

On October 30 the True Northerner announced that it would conduct a contest and that prizes would be given to contestants, and the plan was fully set forth in the issue of that date. From the beginning the proposition met with the hearty approval of the public and several young ladies immediately entered the contest. With the details of the contest the public is well acquainted, as from week to week hundreds have watched its progress with keen interest.

The purpose of the contest, as was understood, was to increase the already large circulation of the paper, therefore making its advertising space more valuable to its patrons, and they have not been slow to take advantage of this opportunity to present their business to the public, as reference to the advertising columns will show.

Thousands of votes were cast before 8 o'clock Wednesday night and it was a race to the finish, in which the contestants never stopped until they passed under the wire. Among those who were contesting a general good feeling reigned throughout. All feeling that the affair was conducted upon a strictly fair and square basis and that all had an equal show. Labor and pains were not spared to have everybody satisfied and it is a satisfaction to both manager and the True Northerner that it was possible for such a feeling to exist throughout the entire race.

The winner of the contest, Miss Minnie Welch, is a resident of Paw Paw, and as is demonstrated by her ability to get votes, she certainly has the ability to mix with everybody and leave a good impression. Her efforts in the contest were justly rewarded, as she did every-

thing in winning the prize that could be done fairly. Her wide acquaintance made her success possible, and those who are interested in the contest are glad that the prize landed upon her shoulders.

Miss Etoile Allen is a resident of Paw Paw and has no mean showing in the contest, standing second high. Her efforts in securing votes have been more than amply crowned with success. Her success is due to much labor and time spent, and those who are interested in her final outcome in this battle of votes feel that she has made a fine showing.

Mrs. C. L. Bowen, who resides on route 5 from Paw Paw, has made a remarkable showing, and her wide circle of friends rejoice in her success in the venture. Her friends assure us that she would have made the winner of the first prize but for her work had not kept her so closely confined.

Among the others who won prizes were Miss Pearl Sidenius of Lawrence, Mrs. Jay Trescott of Paw Paw and Miss Hazel Danby of Paw Paw. All of these contestants made record runs.

The True Northerner is well satisfied with the showing made by the several contestants and by the manager, John A. Dempsey. Mr. Dempsey gave his personal attention to the contest, and it is in a great measure due to his careful work that the contest was a success. The combined efforts of the several contestants, under the manager's careful instructions have resulted in The True Northerner getting seven hundred new subscribers and the collection of several hundred dollars in old subscription accounts.

The methods employed by Mr. Dempsey have been commendable. He has not seen the need of using the harsh methods often employed in the collection of accounts, and the people working with him have not been permitted to adopt that means of getting money or subscriptions. Taking everything into consideration, the management of the True Northerner feels gratified at the outcome of the contest and congratulate Mr. Dempsey and the several prize winners.

During Mr. Dempsey's stay in Paw Paw he has been found by this paper and by the business men with whom he has come in contact to be thoroughly reliable in his dealings and courteous and gentlemanly at all times.

### LOCAL HAPPENINGS AND ITEMS OF A PERSONAL NATURE

Brief Mention of Home Events, Society News, Personals, and Every thing in the Way of Local News that is of Interest to our Readers.

Mrs. Harvey Sherman accompanied her husband to Cassopolis, Monday.

Persons holding time cards on clock at Sellick's will please present them in person in future.

The Presbyterian ladies will hold a bazaar and bake sale December 12 at the McNeil building. 423

Mr. and Mrs. Will North have been spending the week with their son Ralph and family in Chicago.

Mr. and Mrs. Frederic Kimball arrived home last Sunday evening to remain over the holidays.

The new photographer, E. H. King, now has his gallery in first-class shape and is ready for sittings.

Mrs. J. C. Gould left Tuesday morning for Kalamazoo, where she expects to remain for some time.

Fred Danby now has pneumonia with the typhoid fever and the hopes for his recovery are very doubtful.

The Coterie had an unusually fine program, Wednesday. Miss Smith's solos were greatly enjoyed by all present.

Mrs. T. O. Tracy, who has been visiting her sister, Mrs. Seth E. Allen, returned to her home in Toledo, yesterday.

The ladies of the Guild of St. Mark's church served a very fine supper at the home of Mrs. Chas. Chappell last Tuesday.

The Fellowship club will meet with Dr. Ferguson next Wednesday evening. The musical program will be in charge of LaRue Mosier.

Maple City club dues should have been paid November 1. Members who are in arrears should see Secretary Q. L. Young without delay.

There will be a special convocation of Paw Paw chapter No. 31 K. A. M. Friday evening, December 18. Work in M. M. degree on two candidates.

Mrs. Fred Shipman and Mrs. Fred Dodson of Detroit and Mrs. Glenn Shipman of Kalamazoo were guests of Seth Allen and family last week.

Township Treasurer T. B. Woodman is busy taking in taxes these days. Geo. Weston was the first man to lay down the coin. He has tax receipt No. 1.

Mrs. Pearl Sidenius of Lawrence were here Wednesday afternoon in the interest of Miss Pearl in the True Northerner contest.

The Paw Paw Grange will hold a meeting at Shoemith's hall, Saturday, December 12, at 2 p. m. Everyone interested in Grange work is urged to be present.

Mr. and Mrs. Ford Wilbur returned last Thursday from their wedding trip, after spending several days in Detroit, Chicago and with his parents, who live near Jackson.

County Treasurer Fuller received from the auditor general's department the first of the week \$16,625.20, amount of primary school money due Van Buren county. School teachers will now get their salaries in time for the holidays.

### SPLENDID HOLIDAY DISPLAY

Columns of True Northerner Guide for Holiday Shoppers. Advertisers are Reputable Merchants.

Never in the history of Paw Paw have the merchants in all lines of business been so well equipped for the holiday trade as they are at this time. Holiday shoppers are already getting busy and many favorable comments are heard on the elegant stocks of goods on display in the several lines of business.

The True Northerner hasn't space this week to give each advertiser a special notice, but invites its many readers to scan the advertising columns closely. The merchants whose goods are advertised in the True Northerner are all reputable business men. Their stores are stocked with the best of everything in endless variety. They believe in telling the public through the columns of the local paper about the many bargains they have to offer. The public will always find the columns of the True Northerner a safe and reliable guide for not only Christmas goods, but for everything that may be needed in every day life.

### FINE MAPLE CITY CLUB PARTY

At Club Rooms Friday Night. Event Greatly Enjoyed by Large Party. Colonial Costumes.

The members of Maple City club and their ladies enjoyed another delightful party at their beautiful club rooms last Friday evening when the second division entertained. It was a colonial party, and the rooms were appropriately decorated for the occasion. Shocks of corn were placed about the room, while in the corner sat an old pioneer husking corn with his trusty musket by his side. The guests were dressed in colonial costumes, which would have done credit to a fashionable gathering of George Washington's time. Cards were enjoyed during the early part of the evening, then dainty refreshments were served, after which all joined in several of "ye olde time" dances.

The prizes were awarded as follows: First prizes at cards, Mrs. J. B. Showman and M. C. Wheaton; "booby" prizes, Mrs. Will Young and H. L. McNeil. For best costumes, Mrs. H. A. Sherman and T. J. Cavanaugh.

#### R. A. M. Elect Officers.

At a regular meeting of Paw Paw chapter No. 34 R. A. M., the following officers were elected and installed: Wm. Killefer, H. P. W. R. Sirrine, K.; Hubert Durkee, S.; E. F. Parks, treas.; W. C. Y. Ferguson, sec.; E. S. Briggs, C. of H.; F. N. Wakeman, P. S.; Harry Waters, R. A. C.; Geo. L. Rich, M. 3d V.; C. C. Young, M. 2d V.; Robt. Turner, M. 1st V.; C. W. Reynolds, sentinel.

#### Maple Grove Lodge K. of P. Elects Officers.

Maple Grove lodge No. 108 K. of P. elected the following officers last Monday night: Merle H. Young, C. C.; Clyde Bassett, V. C.; Chas. L. Young, Prel.; Carl E. Buskirk, M. of W.; F. P. Grimes, M. of Ex.; H. E. Shaefer, F. K.; B. F. Warner, K. of R. and S.; F. R. Bassett, M. at A.; F. N. Wakeman, delegate to grand lodge; E. D. Sirrine, alternate; E. D. Sirrine, trustee; W. L. Miller, installing officer.

#### The Hungry are Fed.

The "Pot Luckers," after many days and months of long and weary famish, met Tuesday evening at the home of Mr. and Mrs. F. N. Wakeman to the number of 23 strong, where all again were made to smile at the inexhaustible supply of good things. These hungry mortals no longer eat as ordinary mortals. Everything is rather extraordinary. Chicken pies are served baked in galvanized wash tubs, salads adorn the table in large wash bowls, whole hams waste away to mere nothingness, and all other eatables good for man from the animal, vegetable and mineral kingdom are soon gone but not easily forgotten. All finally reach home feeling that "pot luck" is the very best kind of luck.

#### Free Lecture.

Rev. I. P. Bates will lecture on "The Temple at Jerusalem" at the Acorn school house next Sunday evening, December 13. Drawings showing the different parts will be used. All invited.

#### Many Thanks.

My prize will be cherished as a gift from my many friends. Thanking all most kindly for the generous support given,

I am most respectfully,  
ETOILE ALLEN.

C. A. Peckham exhibited five game chickens at the Dowagiac poultry show last week. He won two firsts, two seconds and one third.

Mrs. Fred Schuneman recently returned from Elgin, Ill., where she was called to the bedside of her mother, who was very sick. She had been there but three days when her sister, Mrs. Miller, died. Mrs. Miller visited in Paw Paw every summer and made many friends and acquaintances, who greatly regret her death.